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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re new U.S. patent application of

AIF HAMMES

Serial No. 10/070,071

Filed: March 1, 2002

LOW-VISCOUS CELLULOSE ETHERS THAT FLOCCULATE IN HOT WATER;

METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND THEIR USE

## RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application dated May 1, 2002, submitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application Is the executed Declaration. A copy of the PTO form is also enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge due (37 CFR 1.16(e)) in the amount of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 03-2060. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fee deficiency asserted to be paid, or which should have been paid herewith, or with any paper hereafter filed in this application and credit any fee overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2060.

Respectfully submitted,

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# COMBINED DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship arc as stated below, I believe I am the original, first and sole Inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Low-viscous cellulose ethers that flocculate in hot water, method for the production thereof and their use

the specification of which [X] was filed on September 01, 2000, as International Patent Application PCT/EP00/08538 and including all the amendments through the date hereof.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

### Prior Foreign Application(s) for which Priority is Claimed:

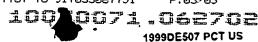
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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s), respectively and individually, as my attorneys and/or agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, and transact all business in the U.S. Patent-and Trademark Office:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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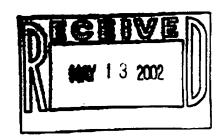
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# NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- English Translation of the IA
- Oath or Declaration
- Request for Immediate Examination



The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
  - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.





The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

• \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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